



The Chimes

“And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful.” ~ Colossians 3:15 ~

There is much news and many issues for which we are concerned these days. Our human brain was designed by our creator to function the way it does and whenever we see anything that could harm us, our brain will process this information and tell us that a dangerous object, wild animal, or risky situation is approaching us. A certain degree of concern about the future helps us to plan for tomorrow. It keeps us safe from getting hurt if we are in a dangerous situation. It helps us plan for the next meal, or put in place a set of actions that will keep us in good health condition. But, it doesn't matter which dangerous risk we are facing, the word of the Lord tells us to let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

The peace of Christ has been given to us and we have the freedom to reject it or perhaps we have the opportunity to accept it. This peace of Christ first needs you to allow it to rule in your heart, but sometimes we don't want anyone or anything to rule our heart but ourselves. We have the fear that if we allow someone to rule our heart it will put us in a dangerous situation.

However, when you are in love with your spouse you accept the conditions and the terms of the covenant you share and to please one another in all that you have in common. It is the same way with the Lord. We are supposed to be in love with the Lord, so we are to surrender in submission to His will.

When the peace of Christ rules in your heart, you don't let external issues modify or change your temperament. This is what happens when the peace of Christ rules in your heart. First, you enjoy everything that is happening around you because you see the providence of God working in your favor. Second, you feel content with whatever is happening in your life because God is molding and shaping your desires and character so that you could be useful for all his good work in Christ. Third, you would not allow the external conditions in the world to determine your internal emotions or feelings because the peace of Christ rules over your heart and mind. Remember, you were called to be a member of one body. You are part of the body of Christ.

The integration of becoming and feeling that you are part of the body of Christ takes time. We must embrace His invitation and be thankful. The right attitude and being thankful to God changes your behavior toward other people. It helps you not to be influenced by anyone else who has the wrong attitude toward you.

Sidney Harris, a journalist, tells us a very interesting story. One day he went with a friend to buy a newspaper at a place his friend was used to going to. When they got to the place, his friend greeted the salesman very politely and warmly, asked for the newspaper and paid for it. But the salesman answered him in very a rude manner and seemed very irritated when he handed him the paper. Sidney smiled as they walked away from the newspaper stand and he asked his friend, "Does this newspaper salesman always behave the same way, with so much anger on his face?" "Yes," his friend answered, "very often he behaves this way." "Then, why are you so friendly with a person like him?" "Very simple. Because I don't want to allow him to decide how I should behave or feel." He said, "We are the one who decides when, where, in what form, and with whom we are going to demonstrate how we feel."

It is essential to take control of the emotional energy of our being. It is very dangerous to leave in the hands of others the way we feel or to allow external circumstances to dictate how we respond to others. It is important to keep emotional balance in our daily routine, but to accomplish this we must decide what type of person we want to be...even though it may not be easy.

I wish everyone a wonderful Lenten season in the company of your loved ones. The offerings collected during Easter will go to support Lydia's House.

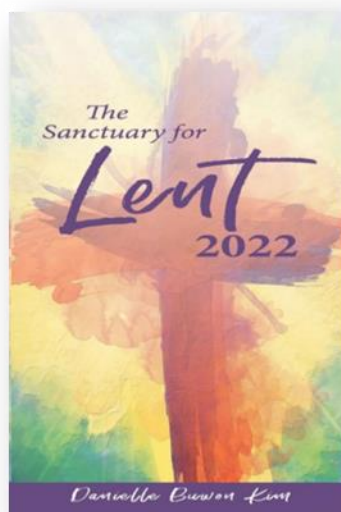
In Christ,

Rev. Rey Díaz

CANCELLATION NOTICE

SPECIAL TRINITY CHURCH CONFERENCE

Pastor Rey has announced that Trinity will **CANCEL the special church conference vote, which had been previously scheduled for March 13th following the worship service.** It was decided that if Trinity went ahead with the church vote, the Conference Office could say it's not valid, therefore, we will wait until after the General Conference to decide what to do.



"The Sanctuary for Lent 2022" By Danielle Buwon Kim

This new booklet contains brief readings for each day in Lent, from Ash Wednesday through Easter Day, including a suggested Scripture, a short devotion and a short prayer—all based on the Revised Common Lectionary. This annual favorite helps readers faithfully journey through Lent as they prepare to experience the joy of the Resurrection.

Booklets are now available in the narthex. Quantities Limited.

March Mission Focus: UMCOR Special Sunday / March 27th

What is UMCOR Sunday? In 2016 General conference approved the name change from One Great Hour of Sharing to UMCOR Sunday. UMCOR Sunday call United Methodists to share the goodness of life with those who hurt. Your monetary gifts to UMCOR Sunday lay the foundation for the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) to share God's love with communities everywhere. The special offering underwrites UMCOR's "costs of doing business". This helps UMCOR to keep the promise that 100% of any gift to a specific UMCOR project will go toward that project, not administrative costs.

What is UMCOR? UMCOR is the humanitarian arm of The United Methodist Church. UMCOR's work reaches people in more than 80 countries, including the United States. UMCOR provides humanitarian relief when war, conflict or natural disaster disrupts life to such an extent that communities cannot recover on their own.



United Methodists celebrate UMCOR Sunday on the Fourth Sunday in Lent. This year, it will be March 27, 2022. Advance #1015. Please consider donating to UMCOR and help share God's love to communities everywhere.



By asking you to support Trinity Missions' Projects, we also ask that you first consider your support of the general fund, which is what keeps our church doors open. Then please prayerfully consider your support of this month's Mission Focus. Thank you.

2022 MONTHLY MISSION FOCUSES AND SPECIAL ENVELOPE SUNDAY OFFERINGS

Month	Monthly Focus / Special Sunday Offerings	Advance #
January	TRINITY UMC LOVE FUND	
	<i>Human Relations Day Sunday, January 16</i>	#1005
February	MEMORIAL MINISTRY SCHOLARSHIP FUND	
March	UMCOR	
	<i>UMCOR Sunday, March 27</i>	#1015
	(This is both a Special Envelope Offering Sunday and the monthly focus)	
APRIL	CONFERENCE INGATHERING PROJECT	(TBD)
MAY	GOLDEN CROSS SUNDAY	#1070
	This offering helps support Schmitt Woodland Hills	
	<i>Native American Ministries Sunday, May 1</i>	#1025
JUNE	ICE CREAM SOCIAL (Recipient of funds TBD)	
	<i>Peace with Justice Sunday, June 12</i>	#1035



JULY	FOOD PANTRY	
AUGUST	MEMORIAL MINISTRY WISH LIST	
SEPTEMBER	HEIFER INTERNATIONAL	
OCTOBER	HARVEST AUCTION to fulfill our covenant with missionary	
	David Makobo	
	<i>World Wide Communion Sunday, October 2</i>	#1045
NOVEMBER	A VETERANS' PROJECT (specific project TBD)	
	<i>UM Student Day, November 27</i>	#1055
DECEMBER	SALVATION ARMY	

Celebrations and More.....



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Tate Perkins	3/1
Annabeth Sprecher	3/4
Danielle Kay Worthington	3/5
Harriet Reese	3/6
Novali Monica Ludwig	3/9
Daniel Tracy	3/18
Jerry Bower	3/27
Annie Windstrup	3/30
Jocelyn Storer	3/31
Emilia Marie Tracy	3/31



Harriet Reese's

"100th Birthday Card Shower"

At the request of Harriet's family, please help celebrate Harriet's 100th birthday with an avalanche of birthday cards.

Harriet's birthday will be celebrated on

March 6, 2022.

Please send all cards to:

191 N. Grove Street, Richland Center, WI 53581.



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Ministry!
See Nancy McCauley



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Shenanigans
for all!



**DON'T FORGET TO
SPRING FORWARD**

REMEMBER TO SET YOUR
CLOCKS **AHEAD** 1 HOUR
SATURDAY NIGHT

Sunday, March 13th

Points of Interest

Date	Event	Description
March 2 nd Wednesday	Ash Wednesday	Ash Wednesday, is the first day of Lent, occurring six and a half weeks before Easter (between February 4 and March 11, depending on the date of Easter). Ash Wednesday is a solemn reminder of human mortality and the need for reconciliation with God and marks the beginning of the penitential Lenten season. It is commonly observed with ashes and fasting.
March 13 th Sunday	Daylight Saving Begins	When local standard time is about to reach Sunday, March 13, 2022, 2:00 am clocks are turned forward 1 hour to Sunday, March 13, 2022, 3:00 am local daylight time instead. Sunrise and sunset will be about 1 hour later on March 13, 2022 than the day before. There will be more light in the evening.
March 17 th Thursday	St. Patrick's Day	Saint Patrick's Day, or the Feast of Saint Patrick, is a cultural and religious celebration held on 17 March, the traditional death date of Saint Patrick, the foremost patron saint of Ireland.
March 20 th Sunday	Spring Begins	In 2022, the spring equinox occurs on Sunday, March 20. This event marks the astronomical first day of spring in the Northern Hemisphere.
March 27 th Sunday	UMCOR SUNDAY	UMCOR Sunday is one of six churchwide Special Sundays with offerings of The United Methodist Church. UMCOR Sunday calls United Methodists to share the goodness of life with those who hurt. Your gifts to UMCOR Sunday lay the foundation for the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) to share God's love with communities everywhere.
Ongoing	Kwik-Trip Gift Cards for Sale on Sundays!	Most Sunday worship services when Nancy McCauley is present....she will be selling \$25 Kwik-Trip gift cards. These make great gifts for any occasion, for anyone, for any time or any reason ☺ You also will be helping the Missions group with their ongoing ministry too!



Happy Saint Patrick's Day





March Memorial Ministry Corner



"God blesses those who mourn, for they will be comforted." - Matthew 5:4

In Memory of Beata Ann Elliott
January 09, 1932 – January 24, 2022

Beata was a devoted Trinity Professing Member Since May 12, 1959.

Complete Obituary Appears at the *Pratt Funeral and Cremation Service, Richland Center, WI*, Website: <https://tinyurl.com/y9sud2yr>

Visitation & Funeral Services Were Held at Trinity United Methodist Church on Monday, January 31, 2022, with Burial Following the Service at the English Ridge Cemetery, Gillingham, WI. A Video of the Service can be Found at the Above Website.

Cards of Condolence May be Sent to Three of Beata's Children at the Following:

Dr. Leslie & Kay Vance
686 Travis Street
Spring Green, WI 53588
608.588-0130

Laurie Lee Stephens Vance
73 Lakewood Gardens Lane
Madison, WI 53704
608.246-2759

David & Pamela Elliott
1601 Central Avenue
Northwood, IA 50459
641.324.5008

Monday, February 07, 2022

Dear Pastor Díaz & Beautiful People of Trinity United Methodist Church:

Thank you all so much for what you've all done for our mother over these many years. She loved you all very much. We will miss her, you will miss her, but her spirit will live on & on for us through Jesus Christ. And, one day, we will all see her again!

Thank you so much for the beautiful card, various memorials, and thinking of Mom & our family. We are so grateful to you all for the love & friendship you have shown Mom over the years.
God Bless You All!

Dave & Pam Elliott & Family and Laurie Lee Stephens Vance & Family

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Monday, February 14, 2022

Dear Trinity United Methodist Church:

As I recall, my mother joined Trinity before the church was even built! The photo on the cover of this card (*posted in the East entrance hallway board*) was taken several years ago at a much happier time when she was visiting with my horse, Blue. As you can see from her smile, she really enjoyed spending time with her "grand-horse."

Dr. Leslie & Kay Vance

TUMC Scholarship Fund Thank You! On behalf of the Missions' Committee and Memorial Ministry, thank you very much for your prayers and financial support during our annual February internal missions' project to support the TUMC scholarship ministry. A final tally will be reported in the April Chimes; to date, we have raised **\$1,528.51** in memorial & honor gifts. It certainly is not too late to contribute. Please note on your check "Trinity scholarship fund." **As always, we remind you to meet your Trinity general budget financial goal before giving to this missions' project.**

Our scholarship is partially funded in memory of Marilyn Joan Anderson; Wayne Braithwaite; Jerry Cooper; Alberta Chellevoid-Couey; Marilyn Rose Creasey; Nancy Edwards; Hilda Heidenreich; Eloise Herbeck; Dean, Kirk, & Roger Jewell; James & Lucille Johnston; Ralph & Helen Monteith; Ruth Moser; Eleanor Strang; and Julia "Jane" Taylor.



2021 Scholarship Application Period
Nearing an End!

Applications for our 2022 scholarship will be available through **12 midnight on Thursday, March 31, 2022**, and can be obtained in paper or electronic form through the church office, Memorial Ministry Chair Paul Murphey, or in the narthex literature rack.

"The heart of the discerning acquires knowledge; the ears of the wise seek it out." - -
Proverbs 18:15

Membership News!



Church Membership Notes



Trinity Member Address Update

Please update your personal records for the following address change:

Harvest Guest Home
Attn: Shannon Trebus, Room 08
875 West Side Drive
Richland Center, WI 53581
608.647.8205

Welcome, Cheryl M. (Steinmetz) Stanley!

It's always a great day for a Membership Secretary to welcome a new Trinity member. Cheryl comes to Trinity a full Professing Member (PM) as a transfer member from Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church (St. George, Utah). This transfer became effective on February 08, 2022. During the Sunday, March 13, 2022, service, the Membership Team will do a short, informal presentation to welcome Cheryl into the Trinity family.

"Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it."
-- 1 Corinthians 12:27

Congratulations, Nicholas & Lacey Hodge!

Trinity congratulates Nick & Lacey Hodge on the Friday, February 11, 2022, birth of their twin sons – Nolan & Bryce! Grandparents are Steve Hodge & Mary Killoy and Rhonda & Terry Sutton; Great Grandmother is Ruby Hodge!

Nick & Lacey Hodge
23329 McDougal Lane
Richland Center, WI 53581



"For each petal on the shamrock, this brings a wish your way:
Good Health, Good Luck, and Happiness for today
and every day."

-- *An Irish Blessing*

Lydia's House Fundraising Campaign.....

"LYDIA'S HOUSE FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN" BEGINS WITH YOU!



This year the RCMA has extended an invitation to our congregation to join the *Lydia's House Fundraising Campaign* to be held from **Ash Wednesday March 2nd to Easter Sunday April 17th.**



The Joan Woodman Orton McCollum Foundation has graciously provided a matching grant of \$15,000.00 for the campaign.

Each dollar raised within our church and the community will be matched dollar for dollar up to \$15,000.00.



Trinity UMC will have available for our members and families to pick up a plastic blue *Lydia's House* piggybank to bring home to fill, beginning on the Sunday, February 27th worship service through Easter Sunday on April 17th.

The banks will be available in the narthex on Sundays for members and families in a labelled plastic bin.



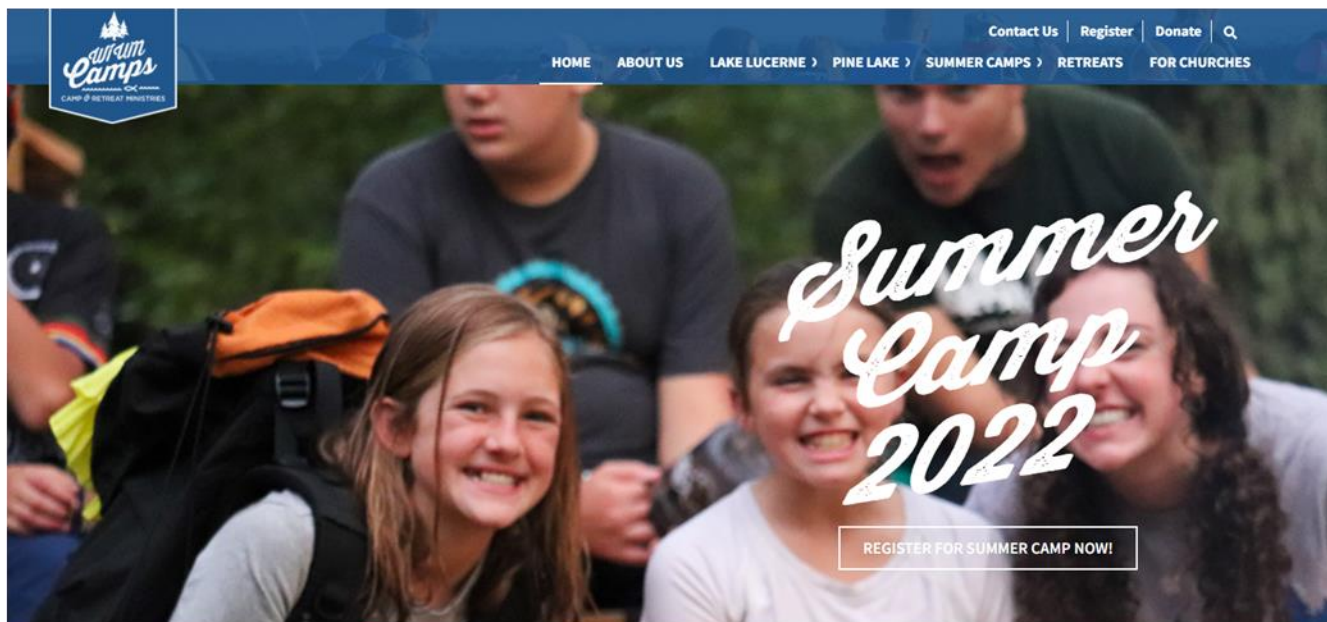
Also, we ask all members and families that have taken a bank, to make sure to get their donations returned to Trinity no later than Easter Sunday, April 17th.

Again, our heartfelt thanks to all that participate, as we are giving to a greater need in our community, and it

BEGINS WITH YOU!



WI UM Camps / Summer Camp 2022 News!



Website: <https://wiumcamps.org/summer-camps/>

The Wisconsin United Methodist Camping Website is up and ready for registrations for summer camps. The website tells of all the different youth camps for grades 2-12.

There are also Grandparent/Grandchild camp, Families with Young Children camp, and Adults With Differing Abilities Camps. You can follow Pine Lake and Lake Lucerne Camps on face book.

Trinity UMC has a camp fund, which pays 2/3's of the cost of registration for youths.

WI conference scholarships are available if needed.

Contact Rosie Steinmetz 608-647-4247 for assistance.

Please see the WI UM Camp Catalog in the narthex. Also note there are two different phone numbers for each camp office.



Pine Lake

W8301 County Road M
Westfield, WI 53964
608.296.2720



Lake Lucerne

W6460 County Road YY
Neshkoro, WI 54960
920.293.4488



MARCH MINISTRY 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Tuesday Morning Group 10:00 AM @ Peace	2 Ash Wednesday Youth Dance @ 4:00 PM	3	4 Pastor's Day Off	5
6 9:30 AM Worship w Communion 9:45 AM Sunday School	7 PEO Mtg 5 – 8:30 pm Joint Confirmation Classes 6:30pm at Peace	8 Tuesday Morning Group 10:00 AM @ Peace	9 Youth Dance @ 4:00 PM	10 RAREA Board Mtg – Library 10:00 AM	11 Pastor's Day Off	12
13 Daylight Savings Begins 9:30 AM Worship 9:45 AM Sunday School	14 Joint Confirmation Classes 6:30pm at Peace	15 Tuesday Morning Group 10:00 AM @ Peace	16 Youth Dance @ 4:00 PM	17 St. Patrick's Day 	18 Pastor's Day Off Wedding Party Rehearsal	19 Private Wedding with Reception to follow
20 First Day of Spring 9:30 AM Worship 9:45 AM Sunday School	21 Joint Confirmation Classes 6:30pm at Peace	22 Tuesday Morning Group 10:00 AM @ Peace	23 Youth Dance @ 4:00 PM CHIMES 	24	25 Pastor's Day Off	26
27 UMCOR SUNDAY 9:30 AM Worship 9:45 AM Sunday School	28 Joint Confirmation Classes 6:30pm at Peace	29 Tuesday Morning Group 10:00 AM @ Peace	30 Youth Dance @ 4:00 PM	31 		

Trinity United Methodist Church
400 East Seminary Street
Richland Center, WI 53581



Wednesday, March 17th



WINTER WEATHER POLICY: On Sundays, please check the radio
(WRCO) before leaving your home in the event the
worship service has been cancelled.

Trinity United Methodist Church

Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m.

Pastor: Rey Díaz

Pastor's Cell Phone: 608-475-3677

Pastor's email: rreydiaz1952@gmail.com

Pastor's Office Hours: Wednesday and Thursday 9-12 PM

and by appointment M - F

Saturday: Pastor's day off

Trinity Church Office

Hours: Monday, Wednesday and Thursday / 9am - noon

Trinity UMC Office: (608) 647-3203

Trinity's email: trinityumc@mwt.net

Websites: www.umchurchrc.org & www.trinity.umchurchrc.org

Administrative Assistant: Pat Leonard

Treasurer/Financial Secretary: Monica Eernisse

Custodian: Bill Twining